

## ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

A recording medium loading apparatus having a carrier unit 70 for transferring inserted discs 11, 12 from an eject position and a loaded position, and a holding device installed on the carrier 70 for the outer circumferences of the discs 11, 12. The holding device is formed by clip discs 74 consisting of a fixing portion 85 fixed on the carrier unit 70, and tongue pieces 86 that protrudes from the fixing portion 85 and are in contact with the front edge in the insertion direction of the discs 11, 12 by an actuating force. Therefore, the recording medium loading apparatus can load various types of recording media. When the disc-shaped recording medium is loaded, damages to the discs can be prevented and highly accurate loading process is possible.